for improving the quality of textile items :

(b) if so, the details thereof ;

(c) by when the said fund is likely to be set-up ;

(d) the steps taken by the textile research association for improving the quality of textile items including cotton yarn ; and

(e) the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (c) Do not arise.

(d) and (e) Textile Research Association have carried out research work mainly with a view to improve the quality of textile items right from cotton up to yarn and fabric stage as well as improvement in the machinery.

Research has been carried out for development of dyeing recipes for synthetic and cotton fabrics and for increasing durability of fabrics of low cost non-automatic powerlooms and quality improvement for exports.

Proposal for Appointment of a Special Committee on Power

*167. DR NAUNIHAL SINGH :

SHRI SURESH PACHOURI :

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are considering a proposal for appointment of a Special Committee on power headed by the Prime Minister ;

(b) if so, the details thereof ;

(c) whether Government are considering a proposal to further hike the Central plan allocation by Rs. 5,000 crore from the present level of Rs. 31,000 crore ; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI N. K. P. SALVE) : (a) and (b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d) No such proposal is under consideration at present.

Loss of Revenue from Advertising

*168. SHRI V. HANUMANATHA RAO : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that Doordarshan and All India Radio are losing huge amounts of revenues to foreign companies from advertisements ;

(b) whether any meeting has been held with the advertising sector to find ways and means to control this outflow of revenue on this account ;

(c) if so, the details thereof ; and

(d) what steps are proposed to be taken to discuss the role of advertising with industry and the advertising sector ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO) : (a) No, Sir. The commercial revenue of All India Radio and Doordarshan has been rising over the years.

(b) to (d) Interaction/dialogue with representatives of the advertising agency/ industry as well as individual agencies is an on going process designed *inter-alia* to promote AIR and Doordarshan as the most cost-effective advertising media.

देश में गैस आधारित विद्युत परियोजनाएं

*169. श्री कैलाश नारायण सारंग : क्या विद्युत मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) देश में कुल कितनी गैस आधारित विद्युत परियोजनाएं कार्यरत हैं और वे किन-किन राज्यों में स्थापित हैं ;

(ख) इन विद्युत परियोजनाओं द्वारा कितना विद्युत उत्पादन किया जा रहा है ;

(ग) क्या मध्य प्रदेश में विद्युत की बढ़ती मांग और उसकी कमी को ध्यान में रखते हुए मध्य प्रदेश सरकार ने गैस आधारित परियोजनाओं